

To whom it may concern,

ms-5287-replication-files.zip contains data and code (ms-52872-code.R) to replicate the estimation results reported in “Congressional Investigations and the Electoral Connection.” Please report errors and omissions to lowande@wustl.edu. A brief codebook appears below.

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Chamber Data:

- `cong`: Congress
- `house_div`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates majority party in the house different that the president’s party
- `senate_div`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates majority party in Senate different that the president’s party
- `reconstruction`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates Reconstruction era.
- `house.x`: count of House investigations.
- `senate.x`: count of Senate investigations.
- `seventeenth`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates enactment of the 17th Amendment
- `war`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates wartime.
- `rate_sd`: second difference of proportion of government employees covered by civil service.
- `exp_fd`: first difference of total government expenditures.
- `h_int`: interaction between divided government in the House and 17th Amendment.
- `s_int`: interaction between divided government in the Senate and 17th Amendment.
- `cong_sq`: $cong^2$
- `cong_cb`: $cong^3$

Agency Data:

- Repeat variables identical.
- `dp`: department or agency.
- `house`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates House investigation.
- `senate`: $\{0, 1\}$, indicates Senate investigation.
- `t_house`: Congresses since last House investigation.
- `t_senate`: Congresses since last Senate investigation.